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\$36.4 Million for Green Affordable Transit Oriented and Infill Housing in San Francisco and Alameda Counties

Sacramento – More than 10 housing and mixed use developments in San Francisco and Alameda Counties will be awarded State funds totaling \$36.4 million for affordable Transit Oriented Development and other infill projects with convenient access to public transit.

The California Department of Housing & Community Development is awarding more than \$150 million within metropolitan areas of the state for construction of transit oriented and infill developments. These developments, such as the Harper Crossing Apartments in Berkeley, will mean less reliance on auto trips, and will help low-income households with easier commutes to jobs, schools, stores and services such as medical care. They also support development patterns reducing vehicle miles traveled.

"These housing developments, with their emphasis on affordable energy-efficient, walkable places, support increasing transit-oriented living in the Bay Area," said Acting Director Randall Deems. "California is leading the fight against climate change. Our work with developers, local governments and transit agencies, as well as organizations like the Association of Bay Area Governments, AC Transit, BART and others make that leadership possible."

Harper Crossing will use funds from both the Transit Oriented Development and Infill Infrastructure Grant programs apartments. There will be 42 one-bedroom apartments for low-income seniors, who will be one block from BART, and close to shopping and other important services.

Transit Oriented Development loans and Infill Infrastructure Grant funds are part of the 2006 voter-approved Proposition 1C. So far, the Transit Oriented Development and Infill Infrastructure Grant Programs have helped more than 21,000 families and individuals live in safe, decent homes with affordable rents.

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